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Prominent Pennsylvanian Tobacco Dealer Placed Under Arrest.

Lancaster, Pa., Jan. 31.—Julius Lederer, for years a prominent tobacco dealer here, whose warehouse was destroyed by an incendiary fire last evening, was arrested this evening on the charge of arson, accused of having fired his warehouse. He claimed that he lost tobacco in the fire worth \$13,000, the amount of his insurance, but there is evidence tending to show that it was not worth half that amount.

He and his wife were seen leaving the warehouse shortly after the fire, and before the discovery of the flames, while they declared today they left nearly an hour earlier. Today bottles that had contained kerosene were found among the burned tobacco, having been used in starting the fire. Lederer has been held for a hearing in default of \$5,000 bail.

READ TWO: MCKINLEY TWO.

Delegates Chosen to National Convention by Louisiana Republicans.

New Orleans, Jan. 31.—The Republican State convention completed its labors at 3 o'clock this morning and adjourned sine die, after endorsing the ticket already nominated by the Populists and endorsed by the sugar Republicans, with J. S. Phares, sugar planter, at its head, for governor, and selecting Gage, colored, chairman of the state central committee, and selecting the following delegates in charge to the Republican national convention: William Pitt Kellogg, A. H. Leonard, Henry Bonas, colored, Madison Vance, colored, Kellough and Leonard are out and out Red men, while Bonas and Vance have been pronounced McKinleyites.

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VERMILION NOT ON TRIAL

Judge Cautions Counsel for Defense on This Point.

WATCHMAN-KENT'S WORDS

He Raised a Lark by His Irish Way of Answering Questions—Testimony to Show That the Patrolman Was Not Lying Down When He Shot Vermilion.

Nathaniel Kent, a special watchman in the Ninth precinct, was the first witness in the Vermilion case to be called to the stand by Judge Cox this morning. The same fight made yesterday to show that the killing of Timothy Dempsey by Policeman Vermilion, on September 22 last, was unjustified, was vigorously continued today. Counsel on both sides was unchanged and the government witnesses were examined in the same searching way.

Mr. Kent made some statements unambiguously a little humorous. He said he did not know John Early, alias "Jimmy John," after the attack at the Mahone lot, and Early told him he was going down to give himself up. "What time that night was it you met Early?" he asked.

"I didn't meet him that night till next morning," was his reply—a high-grade proof of fresh memory.

It was finally got out of him that he met Early about 2 a. m., soon after the fight. He was going along Sixth Street between G and H, in the direction of the station house. Early stopped him and told him of the fight and that there had been a plan to "do" Policeman Vermilion. Tim Dempsey had been killed in it. He was going down to give himself up.

THE WITNESS' REPLY.
"You are a special watchman?" said Mr. Lipscomb.

"Where is your beat?"
"My commission covers more than I run to. I could go over to Kendall Green if I wanted to."

"Sort of roving commission," suggested Mr. McKim.

"You were on duty that night, had on your badge, your 'billy' in your hand, and were armed with authority to keep the peace?"

"Yes."

"And this man came up and told you he had been in this row? Why didn't you arrest him?"

"I didn't see him going down to give himself up."

"Well, if you should meet a murderer on the street, and he should tell you all about his crime and say he was going down to give himself up, you wouldn't arrest him? You'd just let him go on to the station?"

"No, if I'd known he was in any shoddy or that sort, I'd arrest him. But I thought this man was a special watchman."

Daniel McElvitt gave testimony as to the condition of Policeman Vermilion's clothes when he was shot. He said that Vermilion had evidently been in a big fight and his clothing was cut in two places. Mr. McElvitt was not cross-examined.

Policeman Riley testified that he went to the scene of the disturbance soon after the shooting. He saw Vermilion, Gordon and Dalrymple, Citizen Fisher, the defendants, Hurley and Davis, there, and Dempsey lying on the ground. He saw Early and Early's wife, trying to get away from Dalrymple. Dempsey was cursing and swearing, saying that he would do to Vermilion what he had got out of that. He assisted in getting the men to the station.

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George S. Newton, a watchman in the War Department service, was on duty on the west side of the Mahone lot on the night of the killing. He was watching the tools used in laying pipe from the spring near Howard University to supply water at the Capitol.

He heard talking across the lot, got up on his bench and saw what had been about and ten seconds after saw the flash of a pistol and a man standing up and shooting. He saw the man who fired the pistol.

There was no doubt that the man was standing, not lying down, as Vermilion testified they were when the shot was fired. He heard no whistle until after he saw the flash. There was a crowd of persons watching. Mr. Newton was a reputable looking, dignified old gentleman and said in answer to questions that he was an honorably discharged Union soldier.

Mr. Lillian Cooley testified that she saw Policeman Vermilion just before the shooting. She had been with several lady friends visiting on the street about 1 a. m. Her home was about a half-square from the patrol box on Second street. Vermilion said he was going to give himself up.

Ten minutes after Vermilion left her he heard the pistol shot. She heard no whistle until after the shooting.

She saw Vermilion after the disturbance, but noticed no cuts on his clothing and no signs of a fight, except some streaks of mud on his shirt.

Mrs. Hannah Plunne, a sister of Hurley, who was with Mrs. Plunne, told of Vermilion's stopping at the porch to talk with the three of her ladies there. Her testimony was much the same as Mrs. Cooley's. Mrs. Catherine Flynn of the same neighborhood heard the pistol shot, then the police call. John Riley, who was on duty at the time, added proof to her story.

Thomas O'Donnell and Charles T. Townley, both bricklayers of South Washington, were offered to prove that on September 16, Vermilion told them he was preparing to kill over 100 persons.

On objection, Judge Cox ruled this out. Policeman Vermilion said the court was not a trial and he was not a witness. He was asked the policeman about this matter.

Mr. Turner said they wished to prove the truthfulness of Vermilion, that he had been for years preparing for just such an affair as resulted in Dempsey's death. An exception was allowed.

"You couldn't prove anything of the kind," remarked Mr. Jefferson.

Just without objection, and said, "The district attorney supplies his incompetency with his own imagination."

"And the supply is not equal to the demand," said Mr. Lipscomb.

Charles A. Quinn, a colored man, was introduced to show that there was another party in the Mahone lot that night drinking beer and carousing.

Upon objection, Policeman McNamee and Patrol Driver Mr. Dineen were allowed in to prove that Vermilion had told them soon after the fight that he had killed Dempsey.

Mr. Lipscomb then offered the police manual in evidence to show that Vermilion should have knelt down and begged for mercy, and that he was not to keep an empty chamber in his pistol, but Mr. Jefferson objected. It was withdrawn.

The district attorney's request was followed: "No horse shall be driven nor vehicle moved faster than a walk on Fifteenth street, between Pennsylvania avenue and the river, or on cross streets where street car lines intersect."

In connection with the necessity for the enforcement of the order, the Commissioners say: "This regulation was adopted for the protection of the thousands of passengers who are taking the cars daily, and to the street cars at the points named, and after numerous complaints had been made and verified of the great danger to which they were subjected on account of the reckless driving."

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INSIDE THE TELEPHONE FACTS

Gen. Butterworth Arraigns the Bell Telephone Company.

AGREED TO HOLD UP RATES

He Declares That the Local Concern Entered into a Contract With Other Telephone and Telegraph Companies to Prevent a Reduction—New Police Regulation Explained.

The District Commissioners gave a hearing to representatives of the several telephone companies, seeking to gain an estimate to the city, and among others who addressed the board, was Gen. Ben Butterworth, whose charges against the present Bell monopoly were of a somewhat startling character.

Among other things, Gen. Butterworth declared that the Bell Telephone Company had not made a fair presentation of its case, and that it came to the Commissioners when it gave out that from an economical standpoint it was unable to reduce its rates.

Mr. Butterworth said the real reason for the declaration, not inability, to reduce the charges was that the Bell Telephone Company, several years ago, when it was seen that rapid strides were being made in telephone, and entered into a contract with the Western Union Telegraph Company, and two other corporations, whereby it was pledged not to reduce the cost of its instruments, and that if the regulation were made, it would probably be found that some such agreement is still in existence.

The Bell Company, the general said, could never reduce its rates to such an extent when it had no opposition, but wherever competition could find a footing the Bell was swift to bring down the tariff, and had knowledge of instances where it had actually offered to reduce the service for nothing.

If the Bell Company should come to the Commissioners and say, "We are bound by a contract with the Western Union Telegraph Company and two other corporations not to reduce our prices," that would be the truth, but if that company says it cannot reduce its rates, it is not a fair fight, and still make a fair fight, that is not correct. We offer here and now to give as good a service at one-half or one-third of the cost.

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Mr. T. C. Daniel, representing the Columbia Telephone Company, one of those seeking a franchise, presented a list of petitioners containing the names of all but 200 of the Bell signers, who pledged themselves to take the Columbia service in case of its establishment. They signed it, contending that it was not their duty to break their existing contract within thirty days after the decision of the supreme court annulling the Bell patent, and agreed to take the service for three years upon the pledge that it should not cost more than \$50 per annum.

There is not the slightest doubt that these signers will be heard from in Congress, said Mr. Daniel.

In response to a communication, under the date of the 27th instant, the Commissioners today sent to Hon. James McMillan, chairman of the committee on District Affairs, a copy of section 1 of article 10 of the police regulations, together with a statement of the reasons for adopting the same.

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MARKET DULL AND STEADY.
Anthraxite Coals Were the Leading Features in the Transactions.

New York, Jan. 31.—The anthracite coals were the features of the railway and coal trade, which has been unusually quiet today to fix prices and production for February. There has been a favorable influence for the anthracite trade, it is believed that prices will be advanced.

Jersey Central rose 3-8 to 108 1-2; Southern Railway and Western preferred, 1-34 to 30 3-4; Delaware and Hudson, 1-2 to 129 1-2; Lackawanna, 5-8 to 164 1-2; Reading, 1-2 to 15 3-4; Erie, 1-2 to 15 3-4; and Pennsylvania, 1-2 to 15 3-4. General Electric was stronger, and rose 1-2 to 21 1-2 per cent. General Electric was stronger, and rose 1-2 to 21 1-2 per cent. General Electric was stronger, and rose 1-2 to 21 1-2 per cent.

The general railway list was inclined to weakness because of realizations. The decline, however, was unimportant, and in no case exceeded 1 per cent. Sugar was less prominent than of late and ran off to 100 7-8 from 107 1-2. At 11 o'clock the market was dull and steady.

Stocks were quiet here after 11 o'clock. Jersey Central fell 1-2 to 107; Reading, 7-8 to 14 1-2; Sugar, 1-4 to 106 1-2; Delaware and Hudson, 1-2 to 129 1-2; Lackawanna, 5-8 to 164 1-2; Reading, 1-2 to 15 3-4; Erie, 1-2 to 15 3-4; and Pennsylvania, 1-2 to 15 3-4.

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